

MINUTES

January 5, 2010

The Davidson County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, January 5, 2010, in Room 116 of the Mendenhall Building at Davidson County Community College, Lexington, North Carolina, for a joint public hearing with the City Council of Lexington.

PRESENT

Commissioners: Chairman Max Walser, Vice Chairman Sam Watford, Cathy Dunn, Billy Joe Kepley, Fred McClure, Larry Potts, Don Truell

County Manager Robert Hyatt, Assistant County Manager Zeb Hanner, County Attorney Chuck Frye, Clerk to the Board Anne Burkhart, Economic Development Executive Director Steve Googe, Lexington City Manager John Gray, Lexington Mayor John Walser, Councilman Donnie McBride, Councilman Wayne Alley, Attorney Phyllis Penry, Mr. Reid, Ms. Lanier, Councilperson Becky Klass, Councilman Linwood Bunce, Councilman Ed Ward, City Councilman Ed Ward

A. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Max Walser called the meeting to order and welcomed guests.

B. INVOCATION

Vice Chairman Sam Watford

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lexington Mayor John Walser

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner McClure, the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the agenda with an amendment to add

Authorization of the County Manager to Sign Any Applicable Grant Applications Related to the Economic Development Project being considered at this meeting or at the January 12, 2010 meeting. . (Exhibit 1)

E. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Economic Development Incentive Grant Proposal for Project Lynx

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Vice Chairman Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to open the public hearing to receive public input on the proposed economic development incentive grant for Project Lynx.

Steve Googe provided details of the proposed grant agreement to be offered to Project Lynx.

Commissioner Potts inquired about the proposed start of construction for the facility and the projected time of hiring employees.

Steve Googe replied that the construction would begin within three months and the operation would begin within one year.

Barney Hill questioned the details of the notice by the City of Lexington. He stated that he is in favor of the disbursement of funds for the project but he is not in favor of the lease of the land.

Rev. Timothy Gainey spoke in support of the project.

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner McClure the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to close the public hearing.

Chairman Walser asked for comments or questions.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Watford and a second by Commissioner Dunn the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the economic development incentive grant

which entitles Project Lynx to a grant each year for twelve years to be paid by Davidson County provided the Company meets the requirements of the contract as to investment, jobs, and wages, with the calculation for payment of the grant to be .5 times \$145,833.33 each year for up to twelve years. (Exhibit 2)

2. Economic Development Incentive Grant Proposal for Project V

On a motion by Commissioner McClure and a second by Commissioner Potts, the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to open the public hearing for the proposed economic development incentive grant to Project V.

Steve Googe provided details for Project V.

Barney Hill spoke in support of the project.

Rev. Timothy Gainey spoke in favor of the project.

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Commissioner Dunn the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to close the public hearing.

Chairman Walser asked for comments or questions.

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner McClure the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the economic development incentive grant which entitles Project V to a grant each year for seven years to be paid by Davidson County provided the Company meets the requirements of the Contract as to investment, jobs, and wages with the calculation for payment of the grant to be .0027 times the total investment in the plant, machinery and equipment and the grant will not exceed \$32,400 per year. (Exhibit 3)

ITEM FOR DECISION

Chairman Walser then requested that the Board consider the added item.

Authorization of County Manager to Sign Any Applicable Grant Applications
Related to the Economic Development Projects to be Considered at This Meeting and at
the January 12, 2010 Meeting

Chairman Walser asked for a motion on the item.

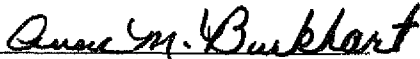
On a motion by Commissioner McClure and a second by Commissioner Truell
the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to authorize the county Manager to sign any applicable
grant applications related to the Economic Development Projects to be Considered at this
Meeting and at the January 12, 2010 meeting.

F. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner Kepley
the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adjourn.



Dr. Max Walser, Chairman
Davidson County Board of Commissioners



Anne M. Burkhart, Clerk to the Board
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